

Letter from Mabel Hubbard Bell to Alexander Graham Bell, undated, with transcript

Letter from Mrs. Alexander Graham Bell to Dr. Alexander Graham Bell. Cambridge, Mass. (July 14,) My darling Alec:

I am getting so impatient for a telegram from you. We have telephoned to the Square twice to make sure that there was no telegram waiting, and by and by Richard will go down and see. I want to know just how you get on, if the heat is entirely overpowering and what you saw when you reached Washington. Do be careful of the sun and don't forget your handkerchief every morning. It won't do for you to indulge in a headache now. Wait until you come home and then you shall sleep all day provided you sleep all night too. I wrote to Thompson about your stuff, be sure you get plenty of it, real strong.

Well I have sent Elise on over to Mrs. Gibson's and send Richard to Brookline for the girl. I am very sorry now for Maria would do much better until we could find some one permanently. I am quite convinced Annie is too young for the care of the children. I like her in her present position but not as head nurse. I have not yet heard from the Brookline girl but Maria is here and we are getting along very nicely.

I had a letter from Mamma this morning. She seems well and happy at St. Germain's and talks of coming home. Her letter was dated July 1, so it only took 13 days for the letter to come.

Well my own darling, what are you doing, resting at your 2 father's and having something to eat, I hope and imagine. What has Prof. Newcomb and the doctors to say to you. Do please let me hear something from and of you and the lamp and the induction. Can't you get Mr. Tainter to write to me, if you won't tell him I'll paint him something if he will.

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Much love to all. I will write to your mother but I am just getting over the fatigue of yesterday as the nurse would not do a thing, but with Maria we are doing much better than with Elise.

Elsie must take this to the box.

Ever and ever so much love. Yours loving.